

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A rubber composition for tyre treads, which comprises (A) 100 parts by weight of a diene rubber comprising at least 35 % by weight  
5 of a styrene-butadiene rubber, (B) 5 to 50 parts by weight of clay, (C) at least 5 parts by weight of silica having a nitrogen absorption specific surface area of 100 to 300 m<sup>2</sup>/g and (D) at least 1 parts by weight of carbon black having a nitrogen absorption specific surface area of 70 to 300 m<sup>2</sup>/g, and has a total amount of (B) clay and (C) silica of at least 30  
10 parts by weight and a total amount of (B) clay, (C) silica and (D) carbon black of at most 100 parts by weight.

2. The rubber composition for tyre treads of claim 1, wherein  
15 (B) clay has an average particle size of at most 10 µm.

3. The rubber composition for tyre treads of claim 1, which comprises (E) a silane-coupling agent.

4. A pneumatic tyre, which has a tread made of the rubber  
20 composition of claim 1, 2, or 3.

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